Conference Committee Report on House Bill No. 671 / Senate Bill No. 925

The House and Senate Conference Committee appointed pursuant to motions to resolve the differences between the two houses on House Bill No. 671 (Senate Bill No. 975) has met and recommends that all amendments be deleted.

The Committee further recommends that the following amendment be adopted: by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-9-117, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following new subsection (b):

- (b) The state coordinator of elections and the state election commission shall certify each voting system for purchase and use in the state. In determining whether a voting system may be certified, the state coordinator of elections and the state election commission shall consider, at a minimum, the following:
 - (1) Whether any new voting system has been certified by the election assistance commission;
 - (2) The history of ethical conduct in the sales of the voting system by the manufacturer or seller;
 - (3) The ability of the manufacturer or seller of the voting system to provide adequate professional assistance and service to the counties of this state; and
 - (4) The performance of the voting system in an election of a substantial size in another state or in an approved jurisdiction within this state. The voting system must be viewed by at least two (2) state election commissioners of opposite political parties and the coordinator of elections, or the coordinator's designee. The jurisdiction where the voting system is viewed must be agreed upon by a majority of the members on the state election commission.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-1-112(a), is amended by adding the following new subdivision:

(4) A former administrator of elections appointed pursuant to § 2-12-116 shall not serve as a member of the appointing county election commission for a period of five(5) years after the person leaves office as administrator of elections.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

Senator Ketron	Representative Carr
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